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RE: *U.S. Patent Application Entitled: PLANTS AND SEEDS OF CORN VARIETY 1026458*  
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Commissioner:

Transmitted herewith for filing is a 77-page patent specification including 31 claims and an abstract. The specification constitutes the application of Francis L. Garing for the captioned invention.

Please note that this application is filed without an inventor Declaration and Assignment, a Declaration Claiming Small Entity Status, a Power of Attorney, and filing fees. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) and (f), the Applicant requests the Patent and Trademark Office to accept this application and accord a serial number and filing date as of the date this application is deposited with the U.S. Postal Service for Express Mail. Further, the Applicant requests that the NOTICE OF MISSING PARTS-FILING DATE GRANTED pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f) be sent to the undersigned Applicant's representative.

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